

Amendment No. 3 to HB3019

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 3727

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by deleting all language after the enacting clause and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-120-102, is amended by adding the following language as a new subsection (c):

(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section or § 68-120-101(a), a church owning a building meeting all of the following requirements shall be permitted to operate a child care, pre-kindergarten or kindergarten, or any combination of such services, at such facility for a period of three (3) years from the effective date of this act:

(1) The construction of the building was completed by 1990 and the building was used by a church during the period of 1990 through 2000;

(2) The basement of the building in which the sanctuary is located was inspected by the state fire marshal's office as an operating day care and the church operated a day care licensed by the state in such facility during such period;

(3) The floor of the sanctuary, which is the ceiling of the basement, is reinforced concrete;

(4) The building has been in continuous use as a church since it's construction, but for a six-year period prior to the effective date of this act was not used as a day care;

(5) The building was purchased by another church that currently provides child care, pre-kindergarten or kindergarten, or any combination of such services, licensed by the state of Tennessee at another facility;

(6) The church which now owns the building intends to operate a child care, pre-kindergarten or kindergarten, or any combination of such services, at such facility; and

(7) The property is located in any county having a population of not less than one hundred twenty-six thousand six hundred (126,600) nor more than one hundred twenty-six thousand seven hundred (126,700) according to the 2000 federal census or any subsequent federal census.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.